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Robert F. Kennedy Jr. and then Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump greet each other at a campaign event in Duluth, Ga., Oct. 23. Trump, now the president-elect, announced Nov. 14 that Kennedy is his pick for secretary of Health and Human Services. Kennedy has expressed skepticism about the childhood vaccine schedule and has vowed to remove fluoride from U.S. drinking water. (OSV News/Reuters/Carlos Barria)



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